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TAGS: OVIP (YOUNG, ANDREW)

SUBJECT: MEDIA MONITORING DURING CARIBBEAN TRIP

- 1. FOLLOWING IS AUGUST 5-6 SUMMARY OF MEDIA REACTION TO AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S CARIBBEAN TRIP, AND OTHER EVENTS.
- 2. NYERERE: NYTIMES, WASH POST, AP AUG. 6 ALL QUOTE PRESIDENT CARTER AS SAYING THAT HE AND PRESIDENT NYERERE HAD REACHED "ALMOST COMPLETE AGREEMENT" ON DIPLOMATIC STRATEGY TO BRING MAJORITY RULE TO RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA. MR. NYERERE SAID IF BRITISH-AMERICAN PROPOSALS ON RHODESIA INCLUDE END OF SMITH REGIME AND ONE-MAN ONE-VOTE ELECTIONS, "I SEE NO REASON WHY THE NATIONALISTS AND THEIR FRIENDS SHOULD NOT LOOK AT THEM." LATER, MR. CARTER TOLD REPORTERS "WE HOPE AND EXPECT" THE TANZANIAN LEADER WILL SUPPORT BASIC PREMISES OF BRITISH-AMERICAN PLAN. MR. CARTER ANNOUNCED SECRETARY VANCE WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT NYERERE NEXT FRIDAY IN LONDON AFTER VANCE-OWEN TALKS THERE.
- 3. MEDIA REPORTING FROM JORDAN STOP ON MIDEAST TOUR EMPHASIZED AUG. 6 THAT SECRETARY VANCE STILL HELD OUT HOPE FOR GENEVA CONFERENCE DESPITE SYRIAN OBJECTION TO UNCLASSIFIED

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PRELIMINARY MEETING OF MIDEAST FOREIGN MINISTERS. A.P. (SCHWEID) REPORTED SECRETARY MAY EXTEND CURRENT MISSION IN EFFORT TO FIND A "NECESSARY CNSENSUS" FOR MIDEAST SETTLEMENT, QUOTED U.S. OFFICIALS AS SAYING LONGER TRIP COULD INCLUDE RETURN VISITS TO VARIOUS CAPITALS.

4. CARIBBEAN TOUR: REPORTERS TRAVELING ON YOUNG TRIP FILED

ON ARRIVAL IN JAMAICA. NYTIMES AUG. 6 HEADLINED START OF "JAUNTY" JAMAICA VISIT AND TELTSCH WROTE OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S BUOYANT" START, SAYING HE EXPRESSED OPTIMISM ABOUT AGREEMENT ON PANAMA CANAL TREATY AND SAID "WE MAY REALLY HAVE TURNED THE CORNER" ON SOUTHERN AFRICA ISSUES. WASH POST HEADLINE AUG. 6 SAYS "YOUNG ARRIVES IN JAMAICA, FINDS HOST IS AWAY." GOSHKO REPORT IN POST EXPLAINS THAT MR. YOUNG URGED MR. MANLEY TO GO TO BOGOTA MEETING, AND OUOTES MR. YOUNG AS SAYING INDICATIONS ARE THAT BOGOTA MEETING " IS NOT TO ATTACK THE UNITED STATES BUT TO GET KEY LEADERS OF THE REGION TOGETHER FOR SERIOUS DISCUSSION AND TRY TO REACH SOME CONSENSUS ON THE CANAL ISSUE." A.P. (LEDERER) FILED ON YOUNG ARRIVAL AND ON AUG. 6 REPORTED "JAMAICAN OPPOSITION LEADER EDWARD SEAGA SAYS HE WILL CALL ANDREW YOUNG'S ATTENTION TO GOVERNMENT 'ABUSES OF HUMAN RIGHTS' AND JAMAICA'S GROWING TIES WITH CUBA WHEN THE TWO MEET TODAY."

5. PANAMA: NYTIMES (HOVEY) AUG. 6 REPORTED ADMINISTRATION HOPES FOR EARLY AGREEMENT ON CANAL "MOUNTED DRAMATICALLY TODAY AS WORD SPREAD ABOUT A SPEECH MADE IN COLOMBIA BY PANAMA'S CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT." GEN. TORRIJOS REPORTED AS ASKING FIVE LEADERS OF NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES TO SUPPORT NEW TREATY TURNING OVER CONTROL OF CANAL AND ZONE TO PANAMA BY 2000 BUT RETAINING INDEFINITE U.S. ROLE IN DEFENSE OF WATERSAY. ARTICLE SAYS AMERICAN NEGOTIATORS UNCLASSIFIED

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ADVISE CAUTION "BUT THE GROWING OPTIMISM OF MOST OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WAS UNMISTAKABLE." OFFICIALS SAID TO FEEL GEN. TORRIJOS FINALLY COMMITTEE HIMSELF, EVEN IF IN CLOSED SESSION, TO SOLUTION ACCEPTABLE TO U.S.

6. U.S. COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION,
CREATED LAST YEAR TO MONITOR DEVELOPMENTS IN EAST-WEST
RELATIONS, HAS PUBLISHED FINDINGS WHICH ARE, REPORTS
AUG. 6 NYTIMES (BINDER), "FAR MORE CRITICAL OF SOVIET
COMPLIANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF THE FINAL ACCORDS SIGNED
AT THE 1975 HELSINKI CONFERENCE THAN PRESIDENT CARTER'S
OWN REPORT IN JUNE ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS." COMMISSION,
WHOSE MEMBERS COME FROM BOTH LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE
BRANCH, IS HEADED BY REP. FASCELL AND SENATOR PELL.

7. NEARLY TWO PAGES OF AUG. 5 NYPOST FEATURE PHOTOS OF MRS. JEAN YOUNG AND ACCOMPANYING LONG ARTICLE BASED ON INTERVIEW WITH JERRY TALLMER.

8. COVER STORY IN AUG. 7 ATLANTA JOURNAL/ CONSTITUTION SUNDAY MAGAZINE IS TITLED "POWER AND GLORY FOR ANDY YOUNG." BASED ON INTERVIEWS WITH AMBASSADOR, OTHERS AT USUN AND

REPORTERS, MARGARET SHANNON RECOUNTS MR. YOUNG'S WORK SINCE BECOMING AMBASSADOR. ARTICLE SAYS DEPUTY AMBASSADORS SELECTED AT USUN MAKE "A FIRST-RATE TEAM, UN WATCHERS SAY. THEY ALSO SAY THAT ANTI-U.S. RHETORIC AT THE UN HAS TONED DOWN SINCE YOUNG'S ARRIVAL....
"HE'S REFRESHING IN THAT HE IS FORCING PEOPLE TO THINK THE UNTHINKABLE AND TALK ABOUT THE UNTALKABLE," SAYS PAULINE FREDERICK, GRANDE DAME OF THE UN PRESS CORPS.... 'MAYBE THE TIME HAS COME TO SAY THINGS LESS DIPLOMATICALLYM' LEONARD

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